

December 2, 2021

Dear Commissioners:

My name is Ireh Yoon and I am the Assistant Director of the Korean American Coalition (KAC) in Los Angeles, a 501(c)3, non-profit organization in the heart of Koreatown that has advocated for the civic and civil rights interests of the Korean American Community since 1983.

KAC is a member of the Koreatown Redistricting Task Force as well as a member of the Asian Pacific Policy and Planning Council, which is part of the AAPI & AMEMSA Redistricting Collaborative.

We are in support of Map F-1 with suggested amendments below and oppose all other maps (B-2 and G). However, we ask the Commission to amend Map F-1 by:

- Moving Arcadia and Temple City to SD 1, to keep WSGV together.
- Moving Walnut, Diamond Bar, Rowland Heights, and Hacienda Heights into SD4, to keep ESGV together.
- Shifting the border between SD1 and SD3 to make Thai Town whole.
- Extending the border of SD2 to **keep Ktown whole** as submitted in the attached map below.

The COI of Koreatown needs to be kept whole. There are nearly 5000 petition signatures on change.org and written petitions in support of unifying Koreatown. Please honor the Census data, as well as our testimonies and protect our community of interest by keeping Koreatown whole.

Thank you,

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MAP of a Unified Koreatown:

